

WEATHER

Occasional rain ending early this afternoon. Highest 48 to 55. Some cloudiness tonight with low in the middle thirties. Tomorrow some cloudiness with highest in the middle forties.

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40 Believed Killed In Coal Mine Blast

Searchers Find Bodies Of Miners

3 Crews Trapped 2000 Feet Below Virginia Pit

BISHOP, Va. UP — An explosion deep in one of the nation's largest soft coal mines today killed between 38 and 40 miners. Searchers found the bodies of the miners some six hours after the blast at Pocahontas Fuel Company's Bishop mine on the Virginia-West Virginia border.

The company issued a statement saying there were "less than 40 men involved" in the disaster and that "of this number there are no survivors."

The company said the cause of the explosion was not known but earlier an official indicated that gas was believed to have touched off the blast.

Three Crews Trapped

The blast trapped three crews of about 12 men each some 2,000 feet from the mouth of the mine at 1:55 a.m. EST, the company said. The crews were digging coal from the face of the No. 3 seam of the Pocahontas mine field in the heart of the soft coal belt.

The company statement said the blast occurred 2,200 feet from the bottom of a new air shaft. There were approximately 177 men inside at the time and most of them got out through another opening, the statement said.

Mine dispatcher Robert P. Meade said exploding gas apparently caused the mine disaster. Bad air and smoke hampered rescue workers as they tried to reach the trapped miners.

A. V. Spores, vice president of the Pocahontas firm, and West Virginia Mines Department Inspector Julius Olzer issued a joint statement giving details of the explosion. They said the section where the blast occurred was examined by a fire boss just before the workmen entered the mine at midnight, to work on the 12 to 8 a.m. shift.

They said the examination showed that the section "was free of hazard at the time of the inspection."

Working At Six Places

At the time of the explosion, the statement said, the three crews were working at six different hole faces. A foreman and four other miners were equipped with apparatus for the detection of gas.

The U. S. Bureau of Mines in Washington flew two officials to the scene.

The town of Bishop is supported (Continued on Page 3, Col. 3)

Good Evening!

Gloomiest of the gloomy.

Do you suppose maybe the weatherman may relent, just a little? Since early January we've had it.

But cheer up. Already signs of early spring.

Yesterday a mocking bird with his fog-lights on, inspecting ancient maples, and today — well, what do you know!

A special communique that the Clyde Beatty Circus will play in Lower Bucks on May 21! It's official and we'll be getting a preview of the only big circus left the day before it moves into Philadelphia for a ten-day stand.

President Eisenhower and King Saud have a meeting of minds on arms and the Middle East program, and the emperor's visit here more helpful, perhaps, than many willing to believe.

And Ike, back from a weekend of golf at Augusta, begins patching up the squabble between Defense Secretary Wilson and the guards. Maybe he should leave that one to Mamie and Mrs. Wilson.

No. 3 Red reported shot in the Kremlin feud.

This behind-the-scenes struggle for power apparently continues in Moscow. We don't know, but there's a long chance that given enough time the Commie vodka boys will succeed in liquidating their own empire.

Ulcers occur most frequently in people who indulge too much in mountain climbing over molehills.

New Jersey man got in trouble by marrying two wives. Some fellows do it with just one.

For most parents, their major problems are minors.

Watch your driving.

\$60,000 FIRE HITS LEVITTOWN LUMBER FIRM; 2 FIREMEN INJURED



(Courier & Times Photo)

Heavy clouds of dense smoke billow from the combination carpentry shop and building material supply store of Emil Lucas, Green lane and Emilie road, Levittown. Flames, which broke out

shortly before 11 a.m. yesterday gutted the building and caused an estimated \$60,000 damage.

Probe Ruins To Determine Blaze Cause

By GORDON PARKER
Courier and Times Staff Writer

Bucks County and Bristol Township fire marshals today probed the ruins of the mill shop and building material supply store of Emil K. Lucas, which was destroyed in a \$60,000 fire yesterday to determine the cause of the blaze.

The roaring flames, which swept through the one-story, cinder block building, injured two Levittown firemen before leaving nothing but the four walls in ruins.

The fire started in a corner of the sales room of the structure located on Emilie road near Green lane, shortly before 11 a.m.

Fed by stocks of oil and paint the flames quickly spread through the salesroom and shop of the building. By the time firemen arrived flames were coming out of nearly every window in the structure.

Flames licked from very window and dense black smoke billowed into a towering cloud over the area.

The alarm was turned in by John F. Dunn, of 12 Wildflower road, Whitewood, Levittown, who spotted the flames and smoke as he returned from church with his family.

Dunn drove to the nearby firehouse of Levittown Fire Company No. 2 and pulled the alarm.

At the same time Bristol Township Patrolman Harry Smith was driving by the shop. He reported he heard the siren go off and noticed the fire at the same time.

Windows Explode

"I saw flames in the office. Just then the plate glass windows exploded out and the fire burst out engulfing the building," the officer said.

Smith said he ran to the building and tried to save some of the lumber in the shop. But the heat and smoke drove him back after he grabbed a few pieces of molding.

He was helped by James Ramo (Continued on Page 3, Col. 7)

Missing Pilot Found In Jersey

A Philadelphia man reported missing in a plane flight from the Morrisville airport turned up in Clifton, N. J., yesterday after his craft ran out of fuel and he made a forced landing.

Donald H. Stadler, 1589 North 52nd street, pilot of the Aronica 1500-pound plane, landed on a farm in Clifton when the gas ran out.

LPRA Invites 60 Groups To Meeting

Subscription Drive For Pools To Start Early This Year

Representatives of more than 60 Levittown organizations—civic, social, fraternal, veterans and youth groups—have been invited to a meeting sponsored by the Levittown Public Recreation Association.

Dick Gersuo, executive director of the LPRA, noted the purpose of the meeting is to explore recreation policies and programs for the future and provide the basis for a successful athletic and recreation program this season.

The convocation is slated for February 13 at the Ralph Waldo Emerson Elementary school, Mill Creek road, Levittown.

This meeting with civic leaders representing a wide variety of interests can be most helpful to the LPRA in fulfilling the community's recreational needs, Mr. Gersuo pointed out.

Members of the Board of Trustees and associate board will also be present at the meeting. The LPRA's annual subscription drive, he said, is expected to start in March.

Last year, Mr. Gersuo noted, the opening of the swimming pools was delayed a week because residents were slow in subscribing their \$5 membership fees. By getting the 1957 drive off to an early start, the LPRA hopes to be able to open the pools May 30, he said.

The LPRA is a non-profit corporation responsible for the maintenance and administration of Levittown's recreation facilities.

The Board of Directors consists of William J. Levitt, Ira Goldman, Dick Gersuo, Ed Hough, Ralph Howell, David Melnick, and Alex Polett.

Lower Bucks Covered By Low-Lying Fog

Drizzle Expected To End Early Tonight; Tomorrow Seen Mild

Old Sol squeezed through the overcast shortly before noon today blotting out a low slung fog which came in late last night as an aftermath of the weekend snow.

Warm, moist air, with temperatures expected to climb to an afternoon high of 50, clashed with the snow on the ground to produce a heavy fog which plagued drivers throughout the area.

To add to the aggravating conditions, occasional drizzle was expected to fall most of the day and into the early part of the evening.

The weatherman promised conditions would improve by dark. The Weather Bureau at Trenton said the fog coverage would lift by late afternoon and the drizzle would cease by early evening.

Clearing Skies
Visibility, which was almost nil last night, would be close to normal tonight, the weatherman said.

Clearing skies with temperatures in the low 30's were forecast (Continued on Page 3, Col. 6)

Bensalem Fires Murdock As Secretary-Treasurer

Joseph Murdock was removed as secretary-treasurer of the Bensalem Township supervisors at a meeting this morning.

Chairman of the board Raemond

Wink seconded Supervisor Raymond Brenner's motion to remove Murdock.

Some 40 persons, crowding the small municipal building, signi-

Fire Sweeps Nursery

Smoke and flames billowed through a garden nursery in Lower Merion township yesterday causing damage estimated by Morrisville Union Fire company chief Frank Cowell "in excess of \$1000."

Chief Cowell said final estimate of damage would await the verdict of insurance estimators today.

Close to 50 Morrisville firemen, under Roland Gilton, Morrisville chief, hustled to the Rickett Nursery on Yardley road shortly after 8 a.m.

Chief Cowell said the firemen were hampered by the smoke which poured from plastic roses and highly inflammable rubber equipment in the office of the nursery.

Most of the damage was caused (Continued on Page 3, Col. 7)

4 Teenagers Hurt In Crash

Four Bristol teenagers were injured, one of them seriously, when their car crashed into a pole on Beaver Dam road, near the Three-M airport, 8 o'clock last night.

Vincent Indelecato, 16, of 1011 Elm street, Bristol, was admitted to Lower Bucks County Hospital with back injuries. Others treated for minor injuries were Ernest Pezza, 16, of 342 Jefferson street, Robert Sabatini, 14, of 517 Jefferson street; and Anthony Ferraro, 16, of 920 Wood street.

According to Bristol township police, the youths were riding in a car driven by William Brady, 17, of 1415 Pond street, Bristol. The car failed to make the sharp curve at the airport and skidded out of control into the pole.

Another motorist, John McCol-

lied that they wanted to hear Mr. Murdock's suggestion for improving the township.

Mr. Murdock this morning had requested that the meeting be postponed until 8 p.m. Thursday at the Bensalem High School. Chairman Wink said, "this is a regularly scheduled meeting and I don't see why we should not go ahead with it."

Referring to the story in the Saturday editions in the Courier and Times, Mr. Brenner said, "Of all these proposals, the only one which has ever been discussed is the proposal about the township manager."

"I'm in favor of a township manager," Brenner said, "but I don't want any appointments not approved by the board. I have downed the motion 12 times and will keep on doing it."

The minutes of the meeting for the year were read by Murdock at the request of Wink, and Brenner said, "There is no indication in any of these minutes of disagreement among the supervisors. As you can see," he continued, "there has always been strict cooperation."

Today's discussion resulted from a meeting Friday night called by Murdock. At that time he proposed sweeping reforms for (Continued on Page 3, Col. 6)

Man Crushed To Death By His Own Car

18-Year-Old Is First Southampton Fatality In 5 Years

Upper Southampton township had its first fatal accident in five years Saturday when an 18-year-old motorist was thrown from a car and crushed against an abutment.

The driver, Francis T. Zanine, of 3004 Mt. Carmel avenue, Glen-sham, was going east on Street road about a quarter mile from Gravel Hill road when he attempted to pass another vehicle.

His car skidded, according to police, and he was thrown against a bridge abutment and apparently crushed by the borrowed car he was driving when it spun around and up against the bridge wall.

According to Sergeant Charles Gray, of Upper Southampton police, the investigating officer, his skull, neck and ribs were among various bones broken.

Car Total Loss

Residents of the area notified police. An ambulance from Hershamp was dispatched to the scene, and Dr. William Saponaro, Southampton physician pronounced Zanine dead at the scene.

Sergeant Gray explained that the youth was driving "alone." He said it was the first fatality in the township since a young bicyclist was killed five years ago. "This does not count turn-pike accidents which are supposed to be charged against us," he said. The sergeant was joined at the scene by Chief Clarence Happe, of Upper Southampton police.

The car was a total loss and Zanine was apparently killed instantly, Sgt. Gray explained.

The driver, who Zanine attempted to pass, stopped along the road to offer help, said the sergeant, who identified her as "a young woman named Glover from Hatboro."

Music Circus Bristol-Bound?

St. John Terrell, owner of the Lambertville Music Circus is interested in operating a summer theater on the Bristol borough-owned property at Route 413 and Route 13, he said today.

Mr. Terrell has asked Bristol Borough Council for information on the property, which is being offered for rent.

The impresario said he would locate on the site "a new kind of theater that is a departure from the music circus." He would give no further details. Mr. Terrell operates Music Circuses at Camden and Neptune, N. J., as well as Lambertville.

National Guard Gets Assurance From Ike It Won't Be Reduced

WASHINGTON — UP — National Guard leaders said today President Eisenhower has assured them he will not permit the guard to be "destroyed or reduced materially in strength."

Officials of the National Guard Association called on the President to ask him to reverse an Army decision requiring all new guard enlistees to take six months of basic training, starting April 1. The association opposes this plan, claiming it would hinder guard enlistments. Representatives of the guard urged the President to adopt their alternative plan requiring only 11 weeks of basic training.

Both the President and Secretary of Defense Charles E. Wilson are strongly behind the six months plan.

Remark Not Discussed

National Guard officials present at today's White House meeting said Wilson's recent criticism of the guard did not come up. Wilson caused a furor by charging a "sort of scandal" developed in the guard during the Korean war. He said many youths used it for "draft-dodging."

Mr. Eisenhower has termed Wilson's remark "very unwise."

Maryland, said the President was "very receptive and assured us he would not permit the guard to be destroyed or reduced materially in strength."

Reckord said he did not believe Wilson was attempting to destroy the guard, but added he thought certain Defense Department officials were pursuing such a purpose. He did not name the officials.

The meeting today was arranged by Maj. Gen. E. A. Walsh, president of the National Guard Association who did not join the White House conference. Walsh last week denounced Wilson's statement as "a damn lie."

Many Exciting Features In Courier and Times

There Is Tax Help . . .

The early bird gets a swift return when it comes to filing income tax returns. But don't be hasty. Today a series of articles begins that will be of help. Page 16

. . . Information On Police . . .

Your police force is always working for your protection. Today there is another in a series of articles on the police departments which serve Levittown. Page 10

. . . And More Coming

And look for tomorrow's announcement of still another new, exciting feature. Warmly received in the past it had to be discontinued for a time. However, everything is cleared now and the feature will be resumed this week. Watch for the opening announcement tomorrow.

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Township Civil Service Commission Upholds Year's Suspension Of Scrocca

Deputy Premier Reported Shot Red Curtain Hides Patient's Identity

LONDON UP — A tight security curtain today hid the identity of a mystery patient ill in Moscow and added fuel to the fires of an international guessing game.

The guesses ranged all the way from such top Soviet leaders as Deputy Premier Lazar M. Kaganovich to a relatively unknown but important atomic scientist.

The Facts

There was this much to go on: 1. Dr. Hans Joachim Sulten, a blood disease specialist in Cologne, Germany, suddenly was summoned to Moscow. He was not told his patient's identity.

2. The patient must be of importance to warrant the sudden summons.

The Supreme Soviet meets in Moscow tomorrow and the leaders will be scanned closely for important absences.

Speculation

In New York, the tabloid Daily News added a cloak-and-dagger touch to the speculation. It quoted Washington "intelligence sources" to the effect that Kaganovich had been shot mysteriously in a Kremlin power struggle and is near death.

A United Press Moscow dispatch made no mention of the Daily News report but said flatly that Kaganovich had completed a two-week tour of Siberia only Sunday and had returned to Moscow. The report would seem to eliminate him from the guessing game, since the Cologne blood specialist was summoned to Moscow Saturday.

Other Names

But there were other names. They included Foreign Minister Dmitri Shepilov or former Premier Georgi Malenkov, both of whom were known to have been ill recently.

Dr. Schulten eliminated them with the statement that his patient was a man between 50 and 60 and said he was not a Soviet leader known to the West.

Also mentioned was Soviet Deputy

Heater Blast Burns Woman

Mrs. Mary Wolf, of 59 Schumacher drive, Bristol Terrace 1, suffered second degree burns of her right hand when a heater blew up as she was trying to light it.

Her face was also singed from the blast. She was treated at home by Dr. Glenn W. Bricker, Levittown physician, whom she summoned. The Bristol Township Third District Fire Company was called out but Chief Carlo D'Emidio reported there was no fire and the only damage was to the heater.

He said the blast was probably caused by a pocket of gas which accumulated from a leak in the heater.

Morrisville Prize Winner

A Morrisville woman appeared recently on the TV program "Stand Up and Be Counted" and won several prizes.

Mrs. Amos Brown, 588 Arbor road, Grandview Estates, stayed in the Hotel New Yorker while appearing on the New York television show.

Her gifts included a camera, movie projector, and a set of encyclopedias.

CARL BYOIR DIES

NEW YORK — UP — Carl Byoir, 68, founder of one of the nation's largest public relations firms which bears his name, died yesterday at New York hospital.

Death Notices

GRINES — Susanna (nee Potoski) wife of the late Michael Grines died Saturday, Feb. 2, 1957 in the Abington Hospital. She was 76. A resident of this community for 40 years. She is survived by her son, Joseph A. Grines, of Treves. Relatives and friends are invited to attend the funeral Wednesday 9 a.m. from her residence 1439 Brownsville Rd. Treves. Solemn Requiem Mass 10 a.m. Assumption R.V.M. Church. Interment private friends may call Tuesday evening at her residence. Arrangements under the direction of the Bradley Funeral Home, Pennell.

HARDING — On Feb. 2, 1957, Ross E. of 39 Friendship St., Philadelphia, survived by his wife, Dora Magill Harding, and a daughter, Mrs. Harriet Keeney of Philadelphia, died at her residence 1439 Brownsville Rd. Treves. Solemn Requiem Mass 10 a.m. Assumption R.V.M. Church. Interment private friends may call Tuesday evening at her residence. Arrangements under the direction of the Bradley Funeral Home, Pennell.

McALINN — Anne T. on Feb. 3, 1957, of 1403 S. 11th St., Philadelphia, survived by her brother, James J. McAlinn, Philadelphia, and a nephew, James J. McAlinn, Jr., of Cornwall Heights. Relatives and friends are invited to attend the funeral home of J. Maurice Tomlinson, 2207 Bristol Pike, Cornwall Heights, at 10 a.m. in St. Charles R. C. Church, Cornwall Heights. Interment, Holy Cross Cemetery, Philadelphia. Friends may call Thursday evening.

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Seeing Levittown 120 Bucks Jurors Start Hearing Cases

A sign at the intersection of Green lane and Mill Creek road extolls "Seasons Greetings from the Green Lynne Civic Association". The group erected the message of best wishes for the Christmas season and it seemed rather appropriate over the weekend with all the snow.

Speaking of snow, did you notice how pretty local stream beds looked. Just like a picture out of a book. The snow brought out to many snow men and forts made out of blocks of snow. Some youngsters used cardboard boxes as molds for cubes of the frozen rain. Got to hand it to the kids, they show bits of ingenuity we never thought of as children.

Four Levittown families recently journeyed to Scotland school, the veterans home for orphans, to visit the children who spent the Christmas holidays in their homes. Dr. Willard Stevens, superintendent of the school located near Chambersburg, said one entire school paper was devoted to tales of the children's visit to Levittown.

There are 386 more males than females in Falls township. Good news for single women, huh? The official certified copy of the recent census arrived from Washington this morning and set the population figure at 27,854 including 14,120 males and 13,734 females. There are 7,191 occupied dwelling units in the township.

Bucks Plane Victim Critical

A 24-year-old Bucks county woman remains in "critical" condition at New York's Lincoln hospital today as a result of injuries received in the Riker's Island plane crash Friday night.

Mrs. Barbara Andrews of Wismer, near Doylestown, suffered burns in the flaming crash that killed 20 persons. Her husband Horace S. Andrews, Jr., had arrived in Miami ahead of the airliner and almost collapsed when told the plane nose-dived into the island shortly after takeoff from LaGuardia field.

Meanwhile, Northeast Airlines denied reports that overloading caused the plane to crash, and squelched reports that debris of the wings before takeoff didn't contribute to the crash.

Cause of the crash has not been determined.

Morrisville Club Plans Guest Day

The Morrisville Senior Women's Club will meet tomorrow at 12:30 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall of the first Presbyterian Church, Morrisville for Guest Day and a Covered Dish Luncheon.

Featured speaker will be Caroline Pitts, executive assistant of the Philadelphia Museum of Art, who will speak on "What Is Modern Art And Why Is Modern Art."

Smoke Damages Hills Residence

An over heated furnace motor caused slight smoke damage to the home of John C. Nott, 227 Ardover road, Fairless Hills, Saturday afternoon.

The Fairless Hills Fire company responded to the alarm and remained on the scene for half an hour.

Detective Finds Boy's Story False

Bristol borough Detective Vincent Faragalli visited Lower Bucks County Hospital this morning to make doubly sure that a young patient's second explanation of a severe puncture wound was the correct story.

The boy, Thomas O'Gara, ten, of 511 Wood street, yesterday, at 3:15 p.m., told police he was beaten by five other boys at Cedar and Walnut streets while on his way to the movies. After intensive investigation by the police, the lad said he fell in jumping on a piece of ice in the Friends Cemetery, at Wood and Mulberry streets.

Tractor Driver Escapes Injury

The driver of a tractor-trailer tanker that slid on the ice on the Route 13 extension in Tullytown Saturday afternoon, escaped unhurt when his vehicle jackknifed, borough police reported. He was headed south, near the Low lane entrance.

A piece of ice kicked up by a passing car caused the crash, according to Police Chief John B. Waltherick. The big tanker jumped across the elevated dividing strip.

One Of Six Charges Is Thrown Out

The Bristol Township Civil Service Commission upheld the year's suspension of Bristol Township Patrolman Henry R. Scrocca, in a decision on an appeal by the patrolman.

The commission rejected Scrocca's appeal but threw out one of the six charges made against him by Police Chief John R. Stewart. The commission deliberated four months after conducting three hearing sessions last September.

Scrocca was suspended last July by Chief Stewart following a dispute at the Hillside Inn, Edgely. Scrocca, Sgt. Harry Bauer and two other officers were sent to the scene to quell a disturbance.

Scrocca arrested one man who was later fined \$50. But the chief charged that the arrest was unnecessary. The Commission threw this charge out. But it upheld other charges that Scrocca used unnecessary roughness in making the arrest, spoke disrespectfully to Sgt. Bauer and disregarded orders.

The commission stated in its ruling that "no worse example of rude, impolite and unmannerly" behavior could be described than was reflected in Scrocca's actions.

Scrocca who lives at 8 Kindie lane, Levittown, was described by fellow officers at the hearing as a "good policeman."

Supervisors

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Bensalem, which included proposals for a township manager, a citizens council, 50 meetings per year for the supervisors, a superintendent of roads outside of the board of supervisors, and a banking firm to act as treasurer.

Mr. Murdock tearfully asked for public support at that time, saying that it might be the last chance for the public to have a voice in its government.

Mrs. Alma Fettes has been named temporary secretary treasurer of the Bensalem township board of supervisors, at the meeting this morning at the Bensalem township municipal building.

Mrs. Fettes replaces J. Murdock, who was removed from office this morning.

She has been employed as Murdock's secretary since January. Her salary will be \$3500 a year. Mrs. Fettes said she would accept the position on conditions that a certified public accountant would sit in with the auditors and set up township books as they should be set up.

A special meeting of the township supervisors will be held at the Bensalem high school March 4 at 8 p.m. to further discuss Murdock's proposal at an open meeting.

Murdock retains his position as a member of the township board of supervisors.

Chester Korona, township auditor, spoke from the floor at today's session and said "Murdock's proposals are good, but I wouldn't like to see any radical changes without a thorough study. Too many things in this township have been instigated by radical action."

Korona suggested a meeting with other area governing bodies for advice and study.

Referring to the Courier and Times story of Saturday Mr. Brenner said, "I'm just trying to protect myself. I am not going to run for supervisor again, but these (Mr. Murdock's) proposals hit me personally and they hit me low," he said.

Stopped Car Hit On Rt. 1

A motorist who stopped to tighten the bolts on a front wheel of his car ended up with a badly damaged automobile.

William Hill, 35, of 1409 North 16th street, Philadelphia, told Middletown Township police he had hit a sharp bump which jarred his right front wheel loose.

He stopped on busy Route 1 near the Roosevelt Drive-in movie to tighten the bolts.

Just as he was tightening the bolts another car, driven by George W. Hessler, Jr., 23, of 840 Avenue E, Parkland, crashed into the rear of Hill's car.

Hessler's car was declared a total wreck. Damage to Hill's car was set at \$400 by Sgt. Joseph Zlot and Patrolman Charles Bates.

Hessler suffered lacerations of the forehead and abrasions of the right knee.

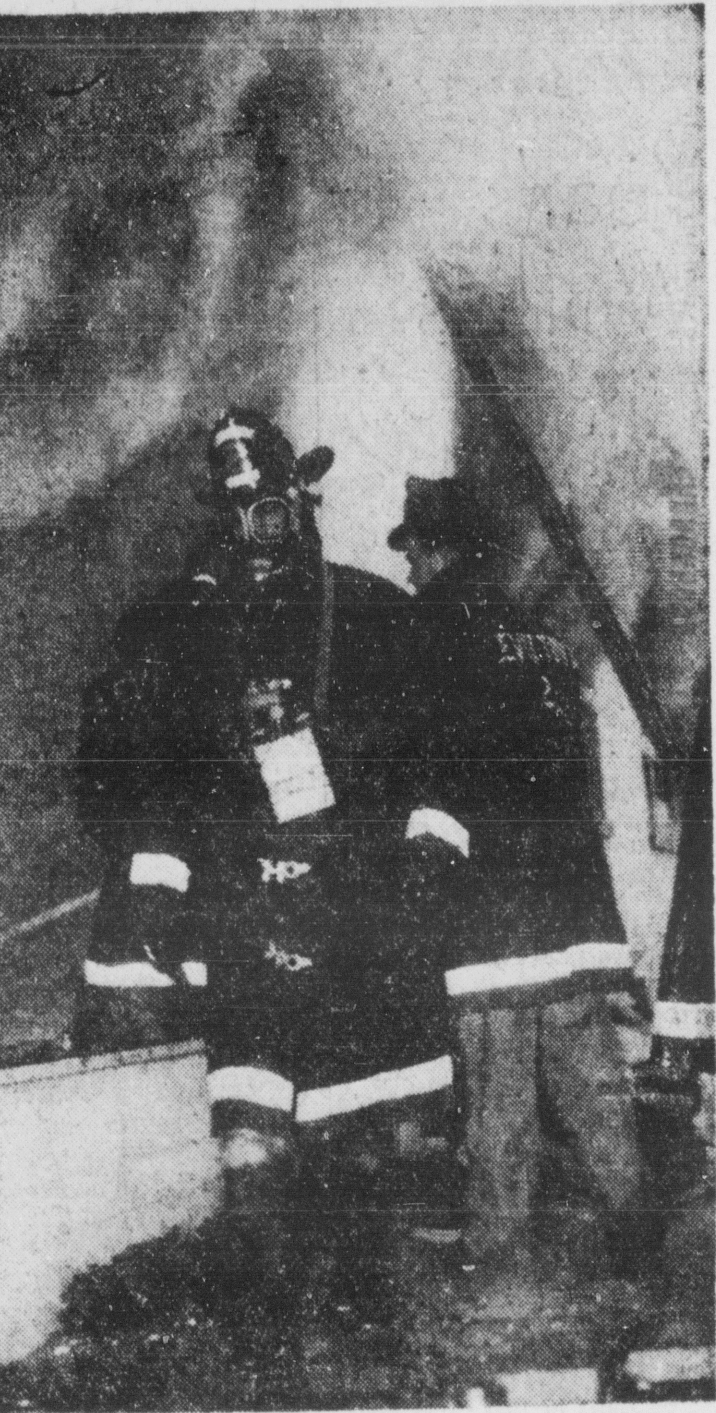
Lower Bucks

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cast for tonight. Yesterday's high was 35 just before midnight and the low this morning was 34 at 7 a.m. It was 39 at 10 a.m.

Tomorrow will be cloudy with mild temperatures in the middle 40's.

Firemen Don Oxygen Masks



Heavy smoke from the burning ruins of the Emil Lucas lumber shop forced firemen to use oxygen masks.

\$60,000 Fire Hits Lumber Building

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semy, of Emilie road, Ramsey was summoned by Miss Frances Lucas, sister of the proprietor.

Ramsey, Smith and another unidentified man also tried to save some office records but couldn't even get in that end of the building. Ramsey also moved a truck which was parked next to the building.

More than 70 firemen from the Levittown, Edgely and Newportville companies brought the fire under control in about 45 minutes, but not before the interior was gutted, the roof and most of the stocks of building supplies, lumber and woodworking equipment destroyed.

Two firemen were injured in the blaze. William Neff, of 36 Island road, Indian Creek, sustained second degree burns of his left hand, Fred Kurz, of 337 Blue Ridge drive, Levittown, was splashed in the eye with hot lacquer when a can exploded.

Both volunteers were treated by Dr. Glenn W. Bricker, of Levittown. The Levittown Emergency Squad transported Kurz to the Levittown No. 2 fire house after Dr. Bricker removed the lacquer at the scene of the blaze.

The Bucks County Rescue and the Bristol Emergency squads also had ambulances standing by.

W. R. Hudson, chief of the Levittown fire company, estimated the loss at \$60,000. He figured damage to the building at \$3,000 and a similar amount for stock and equipment destroyed.

Firemen were delayed in getting to the scene by heavy traffic to and from nearby churches. Emilie road is usually clogged with churchgoers around 11 o'clock Sunday mornings.

Lucas, himself, was out with a church group visiting homes in the area and didn't know about the fire until nearly 1 p.m. when he returned home. By then the flames had been quelled and firemen were soaking the smoldering debris.

Lucas, a former Bristol Township Commissioner, said he couldn't determine the exact loss just yet. He said he had just finished taking inventory of his stock but had not totaled the tally sheets.

The inventory, he said, was destroyed in the blaze but other records, kept in a desk, were saved.

Lucas, a carpenter and cabinet maker, had erected the building

Feb. 1

Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Dougherty, 560 E. Pine street, Treves, boy.

Feb. 2

Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Ruth, 59 Inbrook road, Levittown, boy.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Caspeh, 15 Balsam road, Levittown, boy.

Mr. and Mrs. George Childs, 17 Twig lane, Levittown, boy.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Tyrell, 827 2nd avenue, Bristol, girl.

Mrs. and Mrs. Jack Slade, 51 Pine Needle road, Levittown, girl.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Pople, 613 Perkins lane, Levittown, girl.

Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Schatz, 43 Sycamore road, Levittown, boy.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank DeLuca, 3319 Cedar avenue, West Bristol, boy.

Feb. 3

Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Albertson, 26 Mayflower road, Levittown, boy.

Morrisville Girl Injured In Fall

A 12-year-old Morrisville girl fell at home yesterday and suffered a fractured left wrist.

Margaret M. Wood, 26 Crown terrace was released after her wrist was put in a splint at Mercer hospital, Trenton.

POLICE CAR REPAIRED

The Tullytown police radio car was back in service today with its disabled clutch repaired and a new inspection sticker.

Morrisville • Yardley • Makefield

Bair Explains School Setup

Medill Bair, regional superintendent of the Pennsylvania schools, explained the points of the 2-2-2 school setup in the Pennsylvania school system to members of the Makefield Civic association at a meeting at Makefield Elementary school.

Mr. Bair said the system of separate schools for each two grades would increase efficiency of the school system and prove of great advantage to the students.

The superintendent explained the distribution of funds and local taxes for school purposes in his talk. "Where Does Your School Tax Dollar Go?"

Civic association president Harry Hoffmeister was pleased at the turnout of close to 70 people and hopeful of better response at the next meeting.

"Most members took a very active part in the question and answer period following Mr. Bair's talk."

"We were very pleased at the interest shown," Mr. Hoffmeister said.

Economy League To Report On Morrisville School Study

The long-awaited exhaustive study of the pros and cons of Morrisville becoming part of the Pennsylvania school jointure will be made public by the Pennsylvania Economy league within two weeks.

Allan S. Olson, executive secretary of the league, said Leonard Ferry, chairman of Morrisville's jointure-study committee will receive preliminary information in a few days.

The league has been exploring the complicated question on behalf of the Morrisville school board since early December.

Recommended Study

The first report on the situation was released by the league last April. The league recommended further study of the possibility of jointure.

The April report stated, "A jointure would be beneficial to Morrisville in a number of ways, and would facilitate the development of an area wide school plant and an educational program which can not be achieved without jointure."

Mr. Olson said the new report would need remodeling if it were maintained. If Morrisville joins the Pennsylvania system, the school will be remodeled as an elementary school.

"If it does not join, it will be remodeled as a high school. Whatever the decision, the school construction program must continue," Mr. Olson said.

The new report is in two separate sections. The first lists the costs to Morrisville for future building and operational cost as a separate system.

A similar list of figures is compiled for the same costs to Morrisville as part of the Pennsylvania jointure.

"We have compiled the report on the basis of a two year expansion program," Mr. Olson said.

"However, which ever way Morrisville goes in the jointure decision, the cost will remain more or less stagnant for 30 years," he said.

The report will summarize all advantages and disadvantages of the jointure program for Morrisville.

Mr. Olson said the final report will make recommendations to the Morrisville board which will include financial figures as well as advantages and disadvantages to the individual student.

Bills Are Sent

Notices of penalty payment for delinquent water and sewer accounts have been mailed out, Robert H. Steward, Morrisville borough secretary, said.

Friday was the last day of collection and a delinquent fee will be charged against persons who didn't pay the installment.

Needed: One Police Car

Morrisville police placed its order for a new patrol car just in time.

The present car was damaged in an accident at 2:40 a.m. yesterday morning on old U.S. Route 1 between Mauro Motors and Snipes Corner in Falls Township.

Falls Township policemen James McManamon and William Moyer, who investigated, said Patrolman Joseph Cavanaugh of the Morrisville police was parked along the road in the car with the emergency light flashing when the vehicle was struck in the rear by another.

The second driver was listed as McKiver Johnson, 24, of 22 Escher street, Trenton.

The left rear fender and bumper were damaged on the patrol car and damage to the Johnson vehicle was the right front door.

The police car is still in service.

King Francis I of France wore a fancy costume when he reigned in the 16th century. His coat carried 13,600 gold buttons.

Scout Charter



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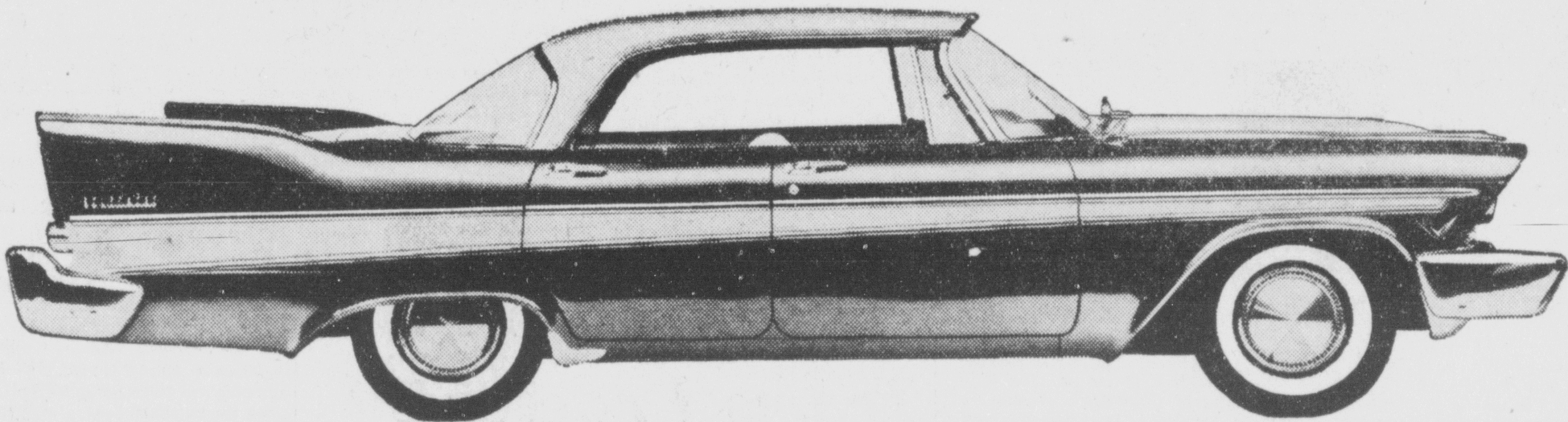
The Boy Scout troop of Grandview Estates sponsored by the Grandview Estates Civic association received its charter at ceremonies in the community house. Officers are (from left) Sol Miller, district commissioner; George Porter, district executive; Morris Baermyer, scoutmaster; Tom Doney, civic association president; Robert Houghton, institutional representative; George Hageman, Explorer advisor; Donald Jackson, Troop scribe.

Concert Seeks Fort Dix Aid

TRENTON, N. J. — UP — The Trenton Symphony Orchestra needs the U. S. Army for some sound effects in its concert production of the opera "Tosca".

Maestro Guglielmo Sabatini said he would ask Fort Dix authorities to fire blanks from a field artillery piece and some rifles off-stage. Puccini's opera calls for cannon fire during act one and rifle fire in the final act.

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	Generator capacity (amps.)	30-40	28-32
	Combustion chamber	dome	wedge
Comfort	Torsion-Aire suspension	Yes	No
	Legroom, front (in.)	45.9	43.2
	Legroom, rear (in.)	41.5	40.7
	Hiproom, front (in.)	63.0	60.0
	Hiproom, rear (in.)	62.7	60.1
	Gross weight (4-dr. sedan)	3475	3452
Safety	Total-Contact Brakes	Yes	No
	Brake lining area (sq. in.)	184	180
	Front wheel brake cylinders	4	2
	Windshield wiper operation	electric	vacuum
	Independent parking brakes	Yes	No
	Safety-Rim wheels	Yes	No
Styling	Self-tightening door latches	Yes	No
	Flight-Sweep Styling	Yes	No
	Double-header lights	Yes	No
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